HOUSE BILL No. 1245

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 14-28-4-18; IC 36-7.

Synopsis: Numerous changes to planning and zoning law. Eliminates review of zoning decisions by certiorari, and establishes a judicial review procedure. Provides procedures for vacation of a plat, including any recorded covenants. Allows a plan commission to adopt a rule to limit further consideration for up to one year after its disapproval of a plat or vacation request. Allows a plan commission (or plat committee acting in its behalf) to: (1) grant waivers from the subdivision control ordinance; and (2) allow or require a commitment to be made as a condition of granting a waiver. Makes changes regarding: (1) qualifications of citizen members of plan commissions and boards of zoning appeals; (2) appointment of alternate members to all plan commissions (current law allows only an area plan commission to appoint alternate members); (3) disqualification of plan commission and board of zoning appeals members due to financial interest or bias; (4) publication of the zoning ordinance; and (5) commitments and conditions. Makes other changes to the planning and zoning law. Repeals superseded statutes concerning vacation of plats, commitments, and writ of certiorari.

Effective: July 1, 2010; January 1, 2011.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning local government.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

- SECTION 1. IC 14-28-4-18 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2011]: Sec. 18. (a) A flood plain zoning ordinance must designate:
 - (1) the county auditor;
 - (2) the county surveyor; or
 - (3) the municipal clerk or clerk-treasurer;
- as applicable, as the zoning administrator who issues improvement location permits within the jurisdiction of the commission and in conformance with the flood plain ordinance.
- (b) A final decision of the zoning administrator may be judicially reviewed by certiorari procedure. A petition for certiorari must specify the grounds upon which the petition alleges the illegality of the zoning administrator's action. The petition must be filed in the circuit court of the county in which the land is located within thirty (30) days after the date of the decision. A change of venue from the county in which the property is located may not be granted in any cause arising under this chapter: in the same manner and subject to the same limitations as



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1	a final decision of a board of zoning appeals under IC 36-7-4.
2	SECTION 2. IC 36-7-3-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS
3	[EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2011]: Sec. 1. (a) Section 2 of this chapter
4	applies only to areas subject to the jurisdiction of no plan commission
5	under this article.
6	(b) Sections 3 through 9 of this chapter apply only to:
7	(1) areas subject to the jurisdiction of an advisory plan
8	commission under this article; and
9	(2) areas subject to the jurisdiction of no plan commission under
10	this article.
11	(c) Sections 10, 11, 14, and 16 of this chapter apply to all areas of
12	the state. except that section 11 of this chapter applies only to areas
13	subject to the jurisdiction of a plan commission under this article.
14	(d) Sections 12, 13, and 15 of this chapter apply to all areas of the
15	state, except in a county having a consolidated city.
16	SECTION 3. IC 36-7-3-10 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
17	FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2011]: Sec. 10. (a) The
18	owners of land in a plat may vacate all or part of that plat under:
19	(1) this section; or
20	(2) IC 36-7-4-711.
21	(b) In a case in which all the owners of land in a plat are in
22	agreement regarding a proposed vacation, the owners may file a
23	written instrument to vacate all or part of that plat. All the owners
24	of land in the plat must declare the plat or part of the plat to be vacated
25	in a the written instrument. and that The instrument must be executed,
26	acknowledged, and recorded in the same manner as a deed to land.
27	(b) (c) Before offering the instrument for recording under this
28	section, an owner must file a copy of the instrument in the county
29	auditor's office and must submit the instrument vacating all or part of
30	the plat for the approval of the plan commission that has jurisdiction
31	over the platted area under IC 36-7-4 or the plat committee acting on
32	behalf of the plan commission. If no plan commission has jurisdiction
33	over the platted area under IC 36-7-4, the instrument must be submitted
34	for the approval of:
35	(1) the county executive, in the case of land located in an
36	unincorporated area; or
37	(2) the municipal works board, in the case of land located inside
38	the corporate boundaries of a municipality.
39	The instrument may be approved under this section without notice
40	or a hearing. The provisions of IC 36-7-4 concerning notice and
41	hearing do not apply to the approval of an instrument under this
42	section.



- 3 (c) (d) The county recorder may record the instrument only if a certificate showing the approval of the vacation by the plan commission, county executive, or municipal works board is attached to it. If the instrument is not executed and approved as required by this section, it is void. (d) (e) The owners of land in a plat that is located outside the corporate boundaries of any municipality may vacate all of the plat without the approval required by subsections (b) (c) and (c) (d) if no lots have been sold and no roads constructed in the plat, and all of the owners of land in the plat declare the plat to be vacated in a written instrument. The instrument must be executed, acknowledged, and recorded in the same manner as a deed to land. (e) (f) An instrument recorded under this section terminates the effect of the plat or part of the plat declared to be vacated, and it also terminates all public rights in the public ways and public places described in the plat or part of the plat. However, a public way that has been improved, or that is part of an improved plat, may be vacated only in accordance with section 12 of this chapter or with IC 36-7-4-712, whichever is applicable. SECTION 4. IC 36-7-3-13 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2011]: Sec. 13. A remonstrance or objection permitted by section 11 or 12 of this chapter may be filed or raised by any person aggrieved by the proposed vacation, but only on one (1) or more of the following grounds:
 - (1) The vacation would hinder the growth or orderly development of the unit or neighborhood in which it is located or to which it is contiguous.
 - (2) The vacation would make access to the lands of the aggrieved person by means of public way difficult or inconvenient.
 - (3) The vacation would hinder the public's access to a church, school, or other public building or place.
 - (4) The vacation would hinder the use of a public way by the neighborhood in which it is located or to which it is contiguous.

SECTION 5. IC 36-7-4-203 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2011]: Sec. 203. (a) ADVISORY. After a metropolitan plan commission is established, it shall exercise exclusively the planning and zoning functions of the county and of the second class city, and the separate planning and zoning functions of the county plan commission and the city plan commission cease.

(b) AREA. After the planning department is established and the participating legislative bodies have adopted a zoning ordinance, the



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planning department shall exercise exclusively the planning and zoning functions of the county and of the participating municipalities, except as provided in section 918 of the area planning law. 901(i) of this chapter. Where other statutes confer planning and zoning authority on a participating municipality or a county, their plan commissions shall continue to exercise that authority until such time as the planning department is established and the participating legislative bodies adopt a zoning ordinance.

SECTION 6. IC 36-7-4-204 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2011]: Sec. 204. AREA. After the planning department is established, other municipalities within the county may adopt ordinances adopting the area planning law and provide for the appointment of their representatives to the area plan commission. In such a case, the membership of the commission shall be increased according to the formula provided in sections 207, 208, 209, and 211 of the area planning law, and the authority of a municipal plan commission and municipal board of zoning appeals ceases, except as provided in section 918 of the area planning law, 901(i) of this chapter, as of the time specified in that ordinance. The composition of any such municipal board of zoning appeals, or of any such board later organized, under the advisory planning law, must conform with that law, except that those members of such a board to be appointed from the municipal plan commission shall instead be appointed from the area plan commission.

SECTION 7. IC 36-7-4-208 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2011]: Sec. 208. (a) ADVISORY. The county plan commission consists of nine (9) members, as follows:

- (1) One (1) member appointed by the county executive from its membership.
- (2) One (1) member appointed by the county fiscal body from its membership.
- (3) The county surveyor or the county surveyor's designee.
- (4) The county agricultural extension educator. However, if the county does not have a county agricultural extension educator, the county extension board shall select a resident of the county who is a property owner with agricultural interest to serve on the commission under this subdivision for a period not to exceed one (1) year.
- (5) Five (5) members appointed in accordance with one (1) of the following:
- (A) Four (4) citizen members, of whom no more than two (2)









may be of the same political party. Each of the four (4)	
members must be:	
(i) a resident of an unincorporated area of the county; or	
(ii) a resident of the county who is also an owner of real	
property located in whole or in part in an unincorporated	
area of the county;	
appointed by the county executive. However, at least two (2)	
of the citizen members must be residents of the unincorporated	
area of the county. Also one (1) township trustee, who must be	
a resident of an unincorporated area of the county appointed	
township trustees whose townships are within the jurisdiction	
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	members must be: (i) a resident of an unincorporated area of the county; or (ii) a resident of the county who is also an owner of real property located in whole or in part in an unincorporated area of the county; appointed by the county executive. However, at least two (2) of the citizen members must be residents of the unincorporated area of the county. Also one (1) township trustee, who must be a resident of an unincorporated area of the county appointed by the county executive upon the recommendation of the township trustees whose townships are within the jurisdiction



1	(B) reside in the county and also own real property located in	
2	whole or in part in an unincorporated area of the county;	
3	of whom no more than two (2) may be of the same political party,	
4	appointed by the county legislative body. One (1) of these	
5	members must be actively engaged in farming.	
6	(4) Four (4) citizen members, of whom no more than two (2) may	
7	be of the same political party, appointed by the second class city	
8	executive. One (1) of these members must be from the	
9	metropolitan school authority or community school corporation	4
10	and a resident of that school district, and the other three (3)	
11	members must be residents of the second class city.	
12	(c) AREA. When there are six (6) county representatives, they are	
13	as follows:	
14	(1) One (1) member appointed by the county executive from its	
15	membership.	
16	(2) One (1) member appointed by the county fiscal body from its	
17	membership.	
18	(3) The county superintendent of schools, or if that office does not	
19	exist, a representative appointed by the school corporation	
20	superintendents within the jurisdiction of the area plan	
21	commission.	
22	(4) One (1) of the following appointed by the county executive:	
23 24	(A) The county agricultural extension educator.	
	(B) The county surveyor or the county surveyor's designee.(5) One (1) citizen member who is:	
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20 27	(A) a resident of the unincorporated area of the county; or(B) a resident of the county who is also an owner of real	
28	property located in whole or in part in the unincorporated area	
28 29	of the county;	
30	appointed by the county executive.	
31	(6) One (1) citizen member who is:	
32	(A) a resident of the unincorporated area of the county; or	
33	(B) a resident of the county who is also an owner of real	
34	property located in whole or in part in the unincorporated area	
35	of the county;	
36	appointed by the county fiscal body.	
37	(d) AREA. When there are five (5) county representatives, they are	
38	the representatives listed or appointed under subsection $(c)(3)$, $(c)(4)$,	
39	(c)(5), and (c)(6) and:	
40	(1) the county surveyor or the county surveyor's designee if the	
41	county executive appoints the county agricultural extension	
42	educator under subsection (c)(4); or	



(1) other elective or appointive an elected office (as defined in



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IC 3-5-2-17); or
(2) any other appointed office in municipal, county, or state
government;
except for membership on the board of zoning appeals as required
by section 902 of this chapter and, in the case of an area plan
commission, membership on the school board, the park board, or the
board of directors for public utilities or board of trustees for utilities
created under IC 8-1-11.1. body from which the member must be
appointed under this series.
(c) Except as provided in section 208(a)(5), 208(b)(3), 208(c)(5),
and 208(c)(6) of this chapter, a citizen member must be a resident of
the jurisdictional area of the plan commission.
SECTION 10. IC 36-7-4-220 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2011]: Sec. 220. (a) If a
vacancy occurs among the plan commission members who are
appointed, then the appointing authority shall appoint a member for the
unexpired term of the vacating member. The appointing authority
may also appoint an alternate member to participate with the
commission in a hearing or decision if the regular member
appointed by the appointing authority has a disqualification under
section 223(c) of this chapter. An alternate member has all the
powers and duties of a regular member while participating in the
hearing or decision.
(b) If a vacancy occurs in the office of the county surveyor while the
county surveyor is serving on the plan commission, then the county
engineer shall be a member of participate with the plan commission
during the time the office of the county surveyor is vacant. The county
engineer has all the powers and duties of a regular member while
participating under this subsection.
(c) An appointed member who misses three (3) consecutive regular
meetings of the metropolitan development plan commission shall may
be treated as if the member had resigned, unless at the discretion of
the appointing authority. reaffirms the member's appointment:
SECTION 11. IC 36-7-4-223 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2011]: Sec. 223. (a) As used
in This section "zoning matter" does not include apply to the
preparation or adoption of a comprehensive plan under the 500 series
of this chapter.
(b) A member of a plan commission or a legislative body is
disqualified and may not participate as a member of the plan
disqualified and may not participate as a member of the plan commission or legislative body in a hearing or decision recommendation of that commission or body concerning a zoning



1	matter legislative act under the 600 series, 1300 series, or 1500
2	series of this chapter in which the member has a direct or indirect
3	financial interest. The commission or body shall enter in its records the
4	fact that its member has such a disqualification.
5	(c) A member of a plan commission is disqualified and may not
6	participate in a hearing of that commission concerning a zoning
7	decision as described in section 1016 of this chapter if:
8	(1) the member is biased or prejudiced or otherwise unable to
9	be impartial; or
10	(2) the member has a direct or indirect financial interest in
11	the outcome of the zoning decision.
12	(d) The plan commission shall enter in the plan commission's
13	records:
14	(1) the fact that a regular member has a disqualification
15	under subsection (c); and
16	(2) the name of the alternate member, if any, who participates
17	in the hearing in place of the regular member.
18	(c) (e) A member of a plan commission or a legislative body may
19	not directly or personally represent another person in a hearing before
20	that commission or body concerning a zoning matter: decision or a
21	legislative act.
22	(d) (f) A member of a plan commission may not receive any mileage
23	or compensation under section 222.5 of this chapter for attendance at
24	a meeting if the member is disqualified under subsection (b) during any
25	part of this section from participating in the entire meeting.
26	SECTION 12. IC 36-7-4-402 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
27	FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2011]: Sec. 402. (a)
28	ADVISORY. Each advisory plan commission shall prescribe the
29	qualifications of, appoint, remove, and fix the compensation of the
30	employees of the commission, which compensation must conform to
31	salaries and compensations fixed before that time by the fiscal body of
32	the county or municipality, as the case may be. The commission shall
33	delegate authority to its employees to perform ministerial acts in all
34	cases except where final action of the commission is necessary. or
35	board of zoning appeals is required by law.
36	(b) AREA. Each area plan commission shall prescribe the
37	qualifications of, and with the consent of the executive director, fix the
38	compensation of the employees of the planning department, which
39	compensation must conform to salaries and compensations fixed before
40	that time by the county fiscal body. The commission shall delegate
41	authority to its employees to perform ministerial acts in all cases except

where final action of the commission or the board of zoning appeals is



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required by the area planning law.

- (c) METRO. The metropolitan development commission shall delegate authority to employees of the department of metropolitan development to perform all ministerial acts in all cases except where final action of the commission or a board of zoning appeals is required by the metropolitan development law.
- (d) The plan commission may designate delegate to a hearing examiner or a committee of the commission the authority to conduct any public hearing required to be held by the commission or make any decision required to be made by the commission, or both. However, only a plat committee appointed under section 701(e) of this chapter may be delegated the authority to make decisions under the 700 series of this chapter. Such a hearing must be held upon the same notice and under the same rules as a hearing before the entire commission, and the examiner or committee shall report findings of fact and recommendations for decision to the commission The commission shall by rule provide reasonable opportunity for interested persons to file exceptions to the findings and recommendations, and if any exception is filed in accordance with those rules, the commission shall hold the prescribed hearing. If no exception is filed, the commission shall or make the decision on behalf of the commission. A decision made under the authority of this subsection may not be a basis for judicial review, but it may be appealed to the plan commission. An interested person who wishes to appeal a decision made under the authority of this subsection must file the appeal not later than fourteen (14) days after the date the decision is made, and the plan commission shall then hold the prescribed hearing and render its decision. without further hearing.
- (e) METRO. The metropolitan development commission may designate a historic preservation commission created under IC 36-7-11.1-3 to conduct the public hearing required to be held by the metropolitan development commission under the 600 series of this chapter relative to the territory included in a historic area or historic zoning district created under IC 36-7-11.1-6. The hearing must be held upon the same notice and under the same rules as a hearing before the metropolitan development commission. The historic preservation commission shall report to the metropolitan development commission the historic preservation commission's findings of fact and recommendations for decision. The metropolitan development commission shall by rule provide reasonable opportunity for interested persons to file exceptions to the findings and recommendations. If an exception is filed in accordance with the rules, the metropolitan



1	development commission shall hold the prescribed hearing. If an
2	exception is not filed, the metropolitan development commission shall
3	render a decision without further hearing. However, this subsection
4	does not eliminate the need for a historic preservation commission to
5	issue a certificate of appropriateness under IC 36-7-11.1-8(e) before the
6	approval of a rezoning by the metropolitan development commission.
7	SECTION 13. IC 36-7-4-403.5 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
8	FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2011]: Sec. 403.5. (a)
9	METRO. If authorized by a zoning ordinance, the plan commission
10	may designate a hearing examiner or committee of the commission to
11	conduct a combined hearing procedure relative to developments that
12	require more than one (1) hearing under this chapter. In conducting the
13	combined hearing procedure under this section, the hearing examiner
14	or committee of the commission may exercise the following:
15	(1) Powers of the hearing examiner or committee under section
16	402(d) of this chapter in relation to the 600 series of this chapter.
17	(2) Powers of the plat committee under the 700 series of this
18	chapter.
19	(3) Powers of a board of zoning appeals under the 900 series of
20	this chapter.
21	(4) Powers of the plan commission staff or a hearing examiner
22	or committee of the plan commission under the 1400 series of
23	this chapter.
24	(b) Decisions of the hearing examiner or committee of the plan
25	commission under the combined hearing procedure may be excepted
26	to or appealed as follows:
27	(1) Decisions under the authority of section 402(d) of this
28	chapter in relation to powers granted under the 600 series of this
29	chapter shall be excepted to in the same manner as exceptions
30	may be filed to appealed to the plan commission in the same
31	manner as decisions of the hearing examiner or committee under
32	section 402(d) of this chapter may be appealed.
33	(2) Decisions under the authority of the 700 series of this chapter
34	shall be appealed to the plan commission in the same manner as
35	decisions of the plat committee may be appealed.
36	(3) Decisions under the authority of the 900 series of this chapter
37	shall be appealed to the plan commission, within five (5)
38	fourteen (14) days after the decision is rendered and the plan
39	commission shall consider the petition in the same manner as the
40	petition would be considered by a board of zoning appeals.
41	(c) The plan commission shall make rules governing the hearing of

cases under the combined hearing procedure. The rules may not require



a petitioner or an applicant to use the combined hearing procedure authorized under this section.

(d) The plan commission may adopt rules setting specific procedures to facilitate informal settlement of matters. The rules may grant procedural rights to persons in addition to those conferred by this chapter, so long as the rights conferred upon other persons are not substantially prejudiced. This subsection does not require any person to settle a matter under the plan commission's informal procedures.

SECTION 14. IC 36-7-4-410 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2011]: Sec. 410. (a) ADVISORY. The legislative body of any municipality located in a county having an advisory plan commission may, by ordinance, designate that county plan commission as the municipal plan commission. Such an ordinance may also provide that the county board of zoning appeals has jurisdiction within the corporate boundaries of the municipality. A county plan commission so designated has for that municipality all the powers and duties granted, under the advisory planning law, to a municipal plan commission. Any municipality designating a county plan commission as its municipal plan commission may contract annually to pay the county a proportionate part of the expenses that is properly chargeable to the planning service rendered that municipality. The county shall appropriate these payments to the county plan commission in addition to any sums budgeted for planning purposes.

(b) ADVISORY. Whenever a municipality designates a county plan commission as its municipal plan commission under subsection (a), residents of that municipality are eligible to be appointed citizen members of the commission under section 208(a)(5) of this chapter. Whenever a county board of zoning appeals has jurisdiction within the corporate boundaries of a municipality, residents of that municipality are eligible to be appointed citizen members of the board of zoning appeals under section 902 of this chapter.

SECTION 15. IC 36-7-4-610 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2011]: Sec. 610. (a) After adoption of a zoning ordinance under section 606 of this chapter, the plan commission shall publish a notice of adoption in accordance with IC 5-3-1. The notice of adoption (which the plan commission shall have prepared) must:

- (1) summarize the subject matter of the ordinance;
- (2) give the date of adoption;
- (3) specify the places or areas that would be directly affected by











1	the ordinance (this subdivision does not require the identification
2	of any real property by metes and bounds);
3	(4) specify the penalty or forfeiture prescribed for a violation of
4	the ordinance; and
5	(5) give two (2) locations open to the public where the entire text
6	of the ordinance is available for inspection.
7	(b) After adoption of a zoning ordinance under section 606 or 607
8	of this chapter, the plan commission shall print the text of the
9	ordinance in book or pamphlet form (or arrange for the inclusion of the
10	zoning ordinance in the code of ordinances printed by the unit under
11	IC 36-1-5), and no other printing or publication of any zoning
12	ordinance is required. Printing of the text of a zoning ordinance in
13	compliance with this subsection constitutes presumptive evidence:
14	(1) of the text of the ordinance that is contained in the code of
15	ordinances, book, or pamphlet (and supplement, if any);
16	(2) of the date of adoption of the ordinance, and of any
17	amendment to the ordinance that is contained in the code of
18	ordinances, book, or pamphlet (and supplement, if any); and
19	(3) that the ordinance, along with any amendment to the
20	ordinance that is contained in the code of ordinances, book, or
21	pamphlet (and supplement, if any), has been properly signed,
22	attested, and recorded.
23	(c) Zone maps incorporated by reference into the zoning ordinance
24	are not required to be printed in the code of ordinances, book, or
25	pamphlet printed under this section, but the plan commission shall
26	keep them available at its office for public inspection.
27	(d) Unless a zoning ordinance provides for a later effective date, the
28	ordinance takes effect when it is adopted under section 606, 607, or
29	608 of this chapter, subject to subsection (e).
30	(e) When a provision prescribing a penalty or forfeiture for a
31	violation is printed under this section, it may not take effect until
32	fourteen (14) days after the later of the following:
33	(1) The final day on which notice of its adoption is published
34	under subsection (a).
35	(2) The day on which it is filed in the clerk's office under
36	subsection (f).
37	(f) A If the zoning ordinance is not required to be included in the
38	code of ordinances printed by a unit under IC 36-1-5: However, if the
39	zoning ordinance is not included in that code, then:
40	(1) the book or pamphlet (and supplement, if any) that
41	comprises the zoning ordinance shall be incorporated by

reference into the code of ordinances;



1	(2) two (2) copies of the book or pamphlet (and supplement, if
2	any) as printed under this section shall be filed in the office of the
3	clerk of each participating legislative body, and these copies shall
4	be kept on file in that office for public inspection as required by
5	IC 36-1-5-4; and
6	(g) If the zoning ordinance is not included in the code of ordinances,
7	(3) the clerk shall keep additional copies of the book or pamphlet
8	(and supplement, if any) in the clerk's office for the purpose of
9	sale or distribution. However,
10	(g) If a unit includes the zoning ordinance is included in the unit's
11	code of ordinances printed under IC 36-1-5, the plan commission
12	shall also make copies of the zoning ordinance shall also be made
13	available to the public in accordance with IC 5-14-3.
14	(h) This chapter does not prohibit a unit from adopting a unified
15	development ordinance that combines the unit's zoning and
16	subdivision control ordinances into a single book, pamphlet, or
17	code title, article, or chapter.
18	SECTION 16. IC 36-7-4-702 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
19	FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2011]: Sec. 702. (a) In
20	determining whether to grant primary approval of a plat, the plan
21	commission (or plat committee acting on the commission's behalf)
22	shall determine if the plat or subdivision qualifies for primary approval
23	under the standards prescribed by the subdivision control ordinance.
24	(b) The subdivision control ordinance must specify the standards by
25	which the commission determines for determining whether a plat
26	qualifies for primary approval. The ordinance must include standards
27	for:
28	(1) minimum width, depth, and area of lots in the subdivision;
29	(2) public way widths, grades, curves, and the coordination of
30	subdivision public ways with current and planned public ways;
31	and
32	(3) the extension of water, sewer, and other municipal services.
33	The ordinance may also include standards for the allocation of areas to
34	be used as public ways, parks, schools, public and semipublic
35	buildings, homes, businesses, and utilities, and any other standards
36	related to the purposes of this chapter.
37	(c) The standards fixed in the subdivision control ordinance under
38	subsection (b) may not be lower than the waived at the discretion of
39	the plan commission (or plat committee acting on the commission's
40	behalf), so long as every approved plat meets all the minimum
41	standards prescribed in the zoning ordinance for a similar use. As a

condition of granting a waiver under this subsection, the



1	commission or committee may allow or require a commitment to
2	be made under section 1015 of this chapter.
3	(d) As a condition of primary approval of a plat, the commission or
4	committee may specify:
5	(1) the manner in which public ways shall be laid out, graded, and
6	improved;
7	(2) a provision for water, sewage, and other utility services;
8	(3) a provision for lot size, number, and location;
9	(4) a provision for drainage design; and
10	(5) a provision for other services as specified in the subdivision
11	control ordinance.
12	(e) The subdivision control ordinance may not regulate
13	condominiums regulated by IC 32-25.
14	SECTION 17. IC 36-7-4-707 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
15	FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2011]: Sec. 707. (a) If, after
16	the hearing, the plan commission or plat committee determines that the
17	application and plat comply with the standards in the subdivision
18	control ordinance, it the commission or committee shall make written
19	findings and a decision granting primary approval to the plat. This
20	decision, which must also specify any condition imposed or waiver
21	granted under section 702(c) of this chapter, must be signed by an
22	official designated in the subdivision control ordinance.
23	(b) If, after the hearing, the plan commission or plat committee
24	disapproves the plat, it the commission or committee shall make
25	written findings that set forth its reasons and a decision denying
26	primary approval and shall provide the applicant with a copy. This
27	decision must be signed by the official designated in the subdivision
28	control ordinance.
29	(c) Primary approval or disapproval of a plat by the plat committee
30	may be appealed only under section 708 of this chapter. However, it
31	may not be taken directly to court for review under section 1016 of this
32	chapter until administrative remedies are exhausted.
33	(d) (c) This section applies to any subdivision of land, whether or
34	not it is exempted from the notice and hearing requirements of this
35	series under section 701(d) of this chapter.
36	SECTION 18. IC 36-7-4-708 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
37	FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2011]: Sec. 708. (a) An
38	applicant or other interested party may appeal to the plan commission
39	the primary approval or disapproval of a plat, or the imposition of a
40	condition on primary approval by the plat committee, in accordance
41	with section 402(d) of this chapter. A notice of appeal must be filed

with the commission within ten (10) days after the action of the plat



1	committee. However, if the plat committee grants primary approval for	
2	the subdivision of land without public notice and hearing under section	
3	701(d) of this chapter, an interested party may appeal the approval to	
4	the plan commission by filing a notice of appeal with the plan	
5	commission not more than ten (10) fourteen (14) days after a copy of	
6	the plat committee's action is mailed to the interested party. Notice	
7	shall be given and a hearing held by the commission in the same	
8	manner as in the case of the plat committee.	
9	(b) The commission has the same power as the plat committee to	
10	approve, disapprove, or impose conditions on the approval of plats.	4
11	(c) The primary approval by the commission of a plat must be	
12	certified on behalf of the commission by an official designated in the	•
13	subdivision control ordinance.	
14	(d) The primary approval or disapproval of a plat by the plan	
15	commission or the imposition of a condition on primary approval is a	
16	final decision of the plan commission that may be reviewed as provided	4
17	by section 1016 of this chapter.	
18	SECTION 19. IC 36-7-4-709 IS AMENDED TO READ AS	
19	FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2011]: Sec. 709. (a)	
20	Secondary approval under section 710 of this chapter may be granted	
21	to a plat for a subdivision in which the improvements and installments	
22	have not been completed as required by the subdivision control	
23	ordinance, if:	
24	(1) the applicant provides a bond, or other proof of financial	
25	responsibility as prescribed by the legislative body in the	
26	subdivision control ordinance, that:	
27	(A) is an amount determined by the plan commission or plat	1
28	committee to be sufficient to complete the improvements and	
29	installations in compliance with the ordinance; and	
30	(B) provides surety satisfactory to the plan commission or plat	
31	committee; or	
32	(2) with respect to the installation or extension of water, sewer, or	
33	other utility service:	
34	(A) the applicant shows by written evidence that it has entered	
35	into a contract with the political subdivision or utility	
36	providing the service; and	
37	(B) the plan commission or plat committee determines based	
38	on written evidence that the contract provides satisfactory	
39	assurance that the service will be installed or extended in	
40	compliance with the subdivision control ordinance.	
41	(b) Any money received from a bond or otherwise shall be used only	
42	for making the improvements and installments for which the bond or	



other proof of financial responsibility was provided. This money may
be used for these purposes without appropriation. The improvement or
installation must conform to the standards provided for such
improvements or installations by the municipality in which it is located,
as well as the subdivision control ordinance.
(c) The plan commission shall, by rule, prescribe the procedure for
determining whether all improvements and installations have been
constructed and completed as required by the subdivision control
ordinance. The rule must designate the person or persons responsible

SECTION 20. IC 36-7-4-710 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2011]: Sec. 710. (a) The plan commission may grant secondary approval of a plat under this section or may delegate to the plat committee or staff the authority to grant such secondary approvals.

for making the determination.

- (b) Secondary approval may be granted, after expiration of the time provided for appeal under section 708 of this chapter.
- (c) No notice or hearing is required, and the provisions of this series concerning notice and hearing do not apply to secondary approvals.
- (d) A plat of a subdivision may not be filed with the auditor, and the recorder may not record it, unless it has been granted secondary approval and signed and certified by the official designated in the subdivision control ordinance governing the area. The filing and recording of the plat is without legal effect unless approved by the commission, or committee, or staff.

SECTION 21. IC 36-7-4-711 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2011]: Sec. 711. ADVISORY AREA. (a) The plan commission (or plat committee acting on its behalf), proceeding in accordance with IC 36-7-3, IC 36-7-3-10 or with this section, has exclusive control over the vacation of plats or parts of plats.

- (b) In a case in which not all the owners of land in a plat are in agreement regarding a proposed vacation, this section provides an alternate procedure under which one (1) or more owners of land in the plat may file with the plan commission a petition to vacate all the plat or only that part of the plat that pertains to land owned by the petitioner or petitioners. A petition under this section must:
 - (1) state the reasons for and the circumstances prompting the request;
 - (2) specifically describe the property in the plat proposed to be vacated; and
 - (3) give the name and address of every other owner of land in









1	the plat.
2	(c) Subject to section 714 of this chapter, a petition under this
3	section may also include a request to vacate any recorded
4	covenants filed as a part of the plat.
5	(d) Not more than thirty (30) days after receipt of a petition
6	under this section, the plan commission staff shall announce the
7	date for the hearing before the plan commission (or plat committee
8	acting on the plan commission's behalf). The plan commission shall
9	adopt rules prescribing procedures for setting hearing dates and
10	for providing other notice as may be required in accordance with
11	this chapter. The petitioner shall pay all expenses of providing the
12	notice required by this subsection.
13	(e) The plan commission shall adopt rules prescribing
14	procedures for the conduct of the hearing, which must include a
15	provision giving every other owner of land in the plat an
16	opportunity to comment on the petition.
17	(f) After hearing the petition, the plan commission or plat
18	committee shall approve or disapprove the request. The
19	commission or committee may approve the vacation of all or part
20	of a plat only upon a determination that:
21	(1) conditions in the platted area have changed so as to defeat
22	the original purpose of the plat;
23	(2) it is in the public interest to vacate all or part of the plat;
24	and
25	(3) the value of that part of the land in the plat not owned by
26	the petition will not be diminished by the vacation.
27	(g) The commission or committee may impose reasonable
28	conditions as part of any approval. The commission or committee
29	shall furnish a copy of the commission's or committee's decision to
30	the county recorder for recording.
31	(h) An applicant or other interested party may appeal the
32	approval or disapproval of a vacation by the plat committee in the
33	manner prescribed by section 402(d) of this chapter.
34	SECTION 22. IC 36-7-4-712 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
35	FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2011]: Sec. 712. (a) METRO.
36	The plat committee has exclusive control over the vacation of:
37	(1) plats or parts of plats; and
38	(2) public ways, easements, or public places, or parts of any of
39	them, whether or not they are included in an approved plat;
40	in the county. The plat committee may adopt rules governing the
41	procedure for these vacations. The vacation of public ways, easements,
42	or public places, or parts of any of them may be made only upon a



1	finding by the plat committee that the vacation is in the public interest.
2	The plat committee may accomplish the vacation of plats or parts of
3	plats by proceeding in accordance with IC 36-7-3-10 or IC 36-7-3-11.
4	Vacation or replatting may include the vacation or amendment of any
5	recorded covenant running in favor of any governmental agency, or
6	restriction, that was contained in the original plat. section 711 of this
7	chapter.
8	(b) METRO. An applicant or other interested party may appeal the
9	approval or disapproval of a vacation in the manner prescribed by
10	section 708 402(d) of this chapter.
11	SECTION 23. IC 36-7-4-714 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA
12	CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS
13	[EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2011]: Sec. 714. The vacation of all or
14	part of a plat may include the vacation of any recorded covenants
15	filed with the plat, but only upon a determination that:
16	(1) the platted area is within an area needing redevelopment
17	and the covenant vacation would promote a recovery of
18	property values in the area needing redevelopment by
19	allowing or encouraging normal development and occupancy
20	of the platted area;
21	(2) the covenant vacation is needed to secure for the public
22	adequate light, air, convenience of access, or safety from fire,
23	flood, or other danger; or
24	(3) the covenant vacation is needed to lessen or avoid
25	congestion in the public ways.
26	SECTION 24. IC 36-7-4-715 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA
27	CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS
28	[EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2011]: Sec. 715. (a) The following are
29	final decisions of the plan commission that may be reviewed as
30	provided by section 1016 of this chapter:
31	(1) Primary approval or disapproval of a plat.
32	(2) Imposition of a condition on primary approval of a plat.
33	(3) Approval or disapproval of the vacation of all or part of a
34	plat.
35	(4) Approval or disapproval of the vacation of any recorded
36	covenants filed with the plat.
37	(5) Imposition of a condition on approval of the vacation of all
38	or part of a plat (which may include the vacation of any
39	recorded covenants filed with the plat).

(b) The plan commission may adopt a rule to limit further

consideration for up to one (1) year after its disapproval, of a plat

or vacation request that is disapproved under section 707, 708, 711,



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1	712, or 714 of this chapter.
2	SECTION 25. IC 36-7-4-903 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
3	FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2011]: Sec. 903. ADVISORY.
4	(a) When a municipal plan commission exercises jurisdiction outside
5	the incorporated area of the municipality as provided for in section 205
6	or 1208 of the advisory planning law, this chapter, either:
7	(1) an additional division of the board of zoning appeals shall be
8	established under section 901(b) of this chapter that will have
9	territorial jurisdiction only in the unincorporated area and consist
10	only of residents of the unincorporated area; or
11	(2) the municipal plan commission shall designate, as its
12	appointment to the municipal board of zoning appeals under
13	section 902(a)(3) of this chapter, one (1) of the two (2) additional
14	citizen members who were appointed under section 214 214(a),
15	1210(a), or 1210.5(c)(3) of this chapter to the plan commission
16	to represent the unincorporated area. The citizen member must
17	reside in the unincorporated area; The citizen shall be appointed
18	for a term of four (4) two (2) years. The citizen member is
19	entitled to participate and vote in all deliberations of the
20	municipal board of zoning appeals.
21	(b) Notwithstanding section 902(g) of this chapter, if the zoning
22	ordinance provides for an additional division of the board of zoning
23	appeals under subsection (a)(1), the ordinance may also provide for the
24	appointment of one (1) or more members of that division by elected
25	officials of the county or township.
26	SECTION 26. IC 36-7-4-905 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
27	FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2011]: Sec. 905. (a) None of
28	the members of a board of zoning appeals may hold: other elective or
29	appointive
30	(1) an elected office (as defined in IC 3-5-2-17); or
31	(2) any other appointed office, except as permitted by section
32	902 of this chapter, in municipal, county, or state government.
33	(b) Except as provided in section 208(a)(5), 208(b)(3), 208(c)(5),
34	and 208(c)(6) of this chapter, a member of the board of zoning
35	appeals must be a resident of the jurisdictional area of the board.
36	SECTION 27. IC 36-7-4-907 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
37	FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2011]: Sec. 907. (a) If a
38	vacancy occurs among the members of the board of zoning appeals, the
39	appointing authority shall appoint a member for the unexpired term of

the vacating member. In addition, the appointing authority may appoint

an alternate member to participate with the board in any hearing or

decision if the regular member it has appointed has a disqualification



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1	under section 909 of this chapter or is otherwise unavailable to
2	participate in the hearing or decision. An alternate member shall have
3	all of the powers and duties of a regular member while participating in
4	the hearing or decision.
5	(b) METRO. A member of the metropolitan board of zoning appeals
6	who misses three (3) consecutive regular meetings of the board shall
7	may be treated as if he the member had resigned, at the discretion of
8	the appointing authority.
9	(c) METRO. Members serving in any division of the metropolitan
10	board of zoning appeals shall may also serve as alternate members for
11	the other divisions of the metropolitan board of zoning appeals.
12	Whenever regular and alternate members serving in a particular
13	division are unavailable, the chairman or vice chairman chairperson
14	or vice chairperson of the affected division may select members from
15	other divisions in order to assemble up to five (5) members to
16	participate in any hearing or decision.
17	SECTION 28. IC 36-7-4-909 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
18	FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2011]: Sec. 909. (a) A
19	member of a board of zoning appeals is disqualified and may not
20	participate in a hearing or decision of that board concerning a zoning
21	matter in which he if the member:
22	(1) is biased or prejudiced or otherwise unable to be
23	impartial; or
24	(2) has a direct or indirect financial interest in the outcome of the
25	hearing or the decision.
26	(b) The board shall enter in its the board's records:
27	(1) the fact that a regular member has such a disqualification; and
28	(2) the name of the alternate member, if any, who participates in
29	the hearing or decision in place of the regular member.
30	SECTION 29. IC 36-7-4-918.5 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
31	FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2011]: Sec. 918.5. (a) A board
32	of zoning appeals shall approve or deny variances from the
33	development standards (such as height, bulk, or area) of the zoning
34	ordinance. The board may impose reasonable conditions as a part
35	of the board's approval. A variance may be approved under this
36	section only upon a determination in writing that:
37	(1) the approval will not be injurious to the public health, safety,
38	morals, and general welfare of the community;
39	(2) the use and value of the area adjacent to the property included
40	in the variance will not be affected in a substantially adverse
41	manner; and

(3) the strict application of the terms of the zoning ordinance will



1	result in practical difficulties in the use of the property. However,	
2	the zoning ordinance may establish a stricter standard than the	
3	"practical difficulties" standard prescribed by this subdivision.	
4	(b) Before approval of a proposal involving a structure regulated	
5	under IC 8-21-10 may become effective, the board of zoning appeals	
6	must have received:	
7	(1) a copy of:	
8	(A) the permit for the structure issued by the Indiana	
9	department of transportation; or	
10	(B) the Determination of No Hazard to Air Navigation issued	1
11	by the Federal Aviation Administration; and	-
12	(2) evidence that notice was delivered to a public use airport as	
13	required in IC 8-21-10-3 not less than sixty (60) days before the	
14	proposal is considered.	
15	(c) Only the plan commission (or plat committee acting on the	
16	commission's behalf) may grant a waiver from standards that are	1
17	fixed in the subdivision control ordinance, as provided in section	1
18	702(c) of this chapter.	
19	SECTION 30. IC 36-7-4-923 IS AMENDED TO READ AS	
20	FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2011]: Sec. 923. (a) This	
21	section allows the establishment of an alternate procedure by the plan	ı
22	commission under which there can be a more expedient disposition of	ı
23	certain matters that otherwise would be heard by a board of zoning	ı
24	appeals. When authorized by ordinance or by rules of the plan	_
25	commission, a hearing officer has the power of a board of zoning	
26	appeals to approve or deny, through the alternate procedure allowed by	_
27	this section:	1
28	(1) a variance from the development standards of the zoning	•
29	ordinance in accordance with section 918.5 of this chapter; or	
30	(2) a special exception, special use, contingent use, or conditional	
31	use from the terms of the zoning ordinance in accordance with	
32	section 918.2 of this chapter; or	
33	(3) a variance of use from the terms of the zoning ordinance in	
34	accordance with section 918.4 of this chapter. However, the	
35	authority of a hearing officer under this subdivision may be	
36	exercised only if:	
37	(A) the area planning law is not applicable; and	
38	(B) the variance of use would allow all of the following:	
39	(i) The expansion of a use currently existing on the tract.	
40	(ii) A use that is consistent with the comprehensive plan.	
41	(b) All requirements for variances, exceptions, and uses imposed by	
42	the 900 series of this chapter apply to the alternate procedure, except	



to the extent that a provision of section 924 of this chapter imposes a different requirement.

- (c) The alternate procedure does not apply in any excluded city as described in IC 36-3-1-7. Sections 919(f) and 922 of this chapter do not apply to the alternate procedure.
- (d) The hearing officer (who may be a board member, a staff member, or any other person) shall be appointed by the plan commission. More than one (1) hearing officer may be appointed. A hearing officer may be removed from his the officer's responsibilities at any time by the plan commission.
- (e) METRO: The plan commission may adopt other rules or recommend ordinances for the alternate procedure not inconsistent with the 900 series of the metropolitan development law. this chapter. These rules or ordinances may specify the period during which the staff may indicate whether the staff objects to the proposed variance, exception, or use. These rules or ordinances may also provide for public notice and due notice to interested parties in accordance with section 920(b), 920(c), and 920(d) of this chapter, but the rules or ordinances may, because of the nature of the petitions heard under the alternate procedure, provide for a less inclusive definition of "interested person" and provide for a quicker and less burdensome method of giving notice to interested persons than rules applicable to petitions not filed under the alternate procedure.
- (f) METRO. For purposes of subsection (d), the director of the department of metropolitan development shall nominate, and the plan commission shall appoint, all hearing officers. Such a hearing officer may be removed from his the officer's responsibilities at any time by either the director or the plan commission.
- (f) (g) METRO. The plan commission may, if requested by a historic preservation commission created under IC 36-7-11.1-3, appoint:
 - (1) a member of the historic preservation commission;
 - (2) a member of the historic preservation staff; or
 - (3) a person who is an employee of the department of metropolitan development;
- as a hearing officer to act in a historic area or historic zoning district created under IC 36-7-11.1-6. The hearing officer may be removed from the hearing officer's responsibilities at any time by either the historic preservation commission or the plan commission.
- SECTION 31. IC 36-7-4-924 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2011]: Sec. 924. (a) In establishing the alternate procedure under section 923 of this chapter,



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1	the plan commission may adopt rules or recommend ordinances:	
2	(1) limiting the kinds of variance, special exception, special use,	
3	contingent use, or conditional use petitions or applications that	
4	may be filed under the alternate procedure;	
5	(2) permitting the hearing officer, in appropriate circumstances,	
6	to transfer a petition or an application filed under the alternate	
7	procedure to the board of zoning appeals;	
8	(3) requiring the creation of minutes and records of the	
9	proceedings before the hearing officer and the filing of the	
10	minutes and records as public records; and	
11	(4) regulating conflicts of interest and communication with the	
12	hearing officer, so as to require the same level of conduct as is	
13	required by the 900 series of this chapter.	
14	(b) The staff (as defined by the zoning ordinance), if any, may file	
15	a written objection to a petition or an application for a variance,	
16	exception, or use if:	
17	(1) it would be injurious to the public health, safety, morals, and	
18	general welfare of the community; or	
19	(2) the use or value of the area adjacent to the property included	
20	would be affected in a substantially adverse manner.	
21	(c) If a written objection is filed under subsection (b), the petition	
22	or application shall:	
23	(1) be considered withdrawn; or	
24	(2) be transferred to the board of zoning appeals if requested by	
25	the petitioner or applicant.	
26	(d) The staff (as defined by the zoning ordinance), if any, may	
27	indicate that it does not object to the approval of the variance,	,
28	exception, or use if specified conditions are attached. If the petitioner	
29	or applicant does not accept these conditions, the petition or	
30	application shall:	
31	(1) be considered withdrawn; or	
32	(2) be transferred to the board of zoning appeals if requested by	
33	the petitioner or applicant.	
34	(e) The hearing officer may impose conditions and may permit or	
35	require the owner of a parcel of property to make a written commitment	
36	concerning the use or development of that parcel, as provided in	
37	section 921 1015 of this chapter. If the petitioner or applicant for the	
38	variance, exception, or use does not accept these conditions or make	
39	the commitment, the petition or application shall:	
40	(1) be considered withdrawn; or	
41	(2) be transferred to the board of zoning appeals if requested by	

the petitioner or applicant.



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1	(f) The hearing officer may not modify or terminate any
2	commitment, whether made under this section or section 921 1015 of
3	this chapter. Commitments made under this section may be modified
4	or terminated only by the board of zoning appeals.
5	(g) A decision of a hearing officer under the alternate procedure
6	may not be a basis for judicial review, but it may be appealed to the
7	board of zoning appeals. An interested person who wishes to appeal a
8	decision of a hearing officer under the alternate procedure must file the
9	appeal with:
10	(1) the board of zoning appeals if the board of zoning appeals
11	consists of only one (1) division; or
12	(2) a division of the board of zoning appeals if the board of zoning
13	appeals consists of more than one (1) division;
14	within fourteen (14) days after the decision is made.
15	SECTION 32. IC 36-7-4-1003 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
16	FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2011]: Sec. 1003. (a) Each
17	decision of the legislative body under section 918.6 of this chapter or
18	the board of zoning appeals is subject to judicial review by certiorari.
19	Each person aggrieved by a decision of the board of zoning appeals or
20	the legislative body may file with the circuit or superior court of the
21	county in which the premises affected are located, a verified petition
22	setting forth that the decision is illegal in whole or in part and
23	specifying the grounds of the illegality. No change of venue from the
24	county in which the premises affected are located may be had in any
25	cause arising under this section. in the same manner as that provided
26	for the appeal of a final decision of the board of zoning appeals
27	under section 1016(a) of this chapter.
28	(b) ADVISORY. The person shall file the petition with the court
29	within thirty (30) days after the date of that decision of the board of
30	zoning appeals.
31	(c) AREA. The person shall file the petition with the court within
32	thirty (30) days after the date of that decision of the board of zoning
33	appeals.
34	(d) (b) METRO. The person shall file the A petition for judicial
35	review must be filed with the court after the expiration of the period
36	within which an official designated by the metropolitan development

(d) (b) METRO. The person shall file the A petition for judicial review must be filed with the court after the expiration of the period within which an official designated by the metropolitan development commission may file an appeal under section 922 of this chapter but within thirty (30) days after the date of that decision of the board of zoning appeals. not later than the period provided for timely filing under section 1605 of this chapter. However, if the official files an appeal, then only the decision of the metropolitan development commission sitting as a board of zoning appeals is subject to judicial









review. by certiorari, in accordance with this section. The official or department of metropolitan development may not seek **judicial** review by certiorari of a decision of a board of zoning appeals or the commission sitting as a board of zoning appeals.

SECTION 33. IC 36-7-4-1013 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2011]: Sec. 1013. (a) ADVISORY. When the legislative body provides penalties for failure to comply with any ordinance **adopted under this chapter**, the municipal attorney or an attorney representing the county, as the case may be, shall, on receipt of information of the violation of any ordinance, make an investigation of the alleged violation. If acts elicited by the investigation are sufficient to establish a reasonable belief that a violation has occurred on the part of the party investigated, the municipal attorney or an attorney representing the county may file a complaint against the person and prosecute the alleged violation **under IC 36-1-6.**

- (b) AREA METRO. The plan commission or a board of zoning appeals may request the prosecuting attorney of the county (or of the city under the metropolitan development law) to take appropriate action in any case involving the violation of this chapter or of any ordinance or regulation adopted under it. The prosecuting attorney shall act promptly when requested. this chapter.
- (c) AREA. The plan commission may appoint one (1) or more attorneys to advise the planning department staff and to assist in the enforcement of the area planning law, and any ordinances and regulations adopted under it. The this chapter. Subject to the 400 series of this chapter, an area plan commission may employ one (1) attorney on a full-time basis so that the attorney can become fully informed on the specialized law of planning, zoning, and subdivision control.
- (d) The services of an attorney, attorneys appointed by the plan commission under subsection (c) shall be made available without extra compensation to the prosecuting attorney in all cases involving the planning department. ordinances or regulations adopted under this chapter. The attorneys may be deputized to act for and under the direction of the prosecuting attorney.
- (e) In civil actions for the enforcement of the area planning law or ordinances or regulations adopted under it, this chapter, an attorney appointed by the plan commission may bring an action in the name of the plan commission.

SECTION 34. IC 36-7-4-1014 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2011]: Sec. 1014. (a) The











1	plan commission, board of zoning appeals, or any enforcement
2	official designated in the zoning ordinance may bring an action in the
3	circuit or superior court of the county under IC 36-1-6 to invoke any
4	legal, equitable, or special remedy for the enforcement of this chapter
5	or enforce any ordinance adopted or action taken under this chapter.
6	(b) The plan commission, board of zoning appeals, or any
7	enforcement official designated in the zoning ordinance may also bring
8	an action in the circuit or superior court of the county to enforce:
9	(1) conditions imposed by the commission or board of zoning
10	appeals under this chapter; or
11	(2) covenants made in connection with a subdivision plat, a
12	development plan, or a PUD district ordinance (as defined in
13	section 1503 of this chapter). or
14	(3) commitments made in accordance with this chapter.
15	(c) ADVISORY. In addition, in each county having a metropolitan
16 17	plan commission, if the county or second class city adopts a zoning
17 18	ordinance under this chapter, then that unit may also invoke any
19	remedy under this section. However, the county may do so only outside
20	the corporate boundaries of the city, and the city may do so only within its corporate boundaries.
20	(d) METRO. The metropolitan development commission may also
22	bring an action in the circuit or superior court of the county to enforce:
23	(1) conditions imposed under this chapter;
23 24	(2) covenants made in connection with a subdivision plat, a
25	development plan, or a PUD district ordinance (as defined in
26	section 1503 of this chapter); or
27	(3) commitments made in accordance with this chapter.
28	The metropolitan development plan commission, board of zoning
29	appeals, or designated enforcement official may invoke any legal,
30	equitable, or special remedy in such an action described in subsection
31	(a) or (b).
32	(e) An action for the levy of a fine or penalty for enforcement of a
33	zoning ordinance may be brought in any court located within the
34	jurisdiction of the plan commission or board of zoning appeals.
35	(f) If the plan commission, board of zoning appeals , or designated
36	enforcement official is successful in the an action brought under this
37	section, the respondent shall bear the costs of the action. A change of
38	venue from the county may not be granted in such an action.
39	SECTION 35. IC 36-7-4-1015 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
40	FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2011]: Sec. 1015. (a)
41	ADVISORY AREA. The board of zoning appeals or any enforcement

official designated in the zoning ordinance may bring an action for



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1	injunction in the circuit or superior court of the county to restrain a	
2	person from violating this chapter or an ordinance adopted under this	
3	chapter.	
4	(a) As a condition to the:	
5	(1) adoption of a rezoning proposal;	
6	(2) primary approval of a proposed subdivision plat or	
7	development plan; or	
8	(3) approval of an application for a:	
9	(A) special exception;	
0	(B) special use;	
1	(C) contingent use;	
2	(D) conditional use; or	
.3	(E) variance;	
4	the owner of a parcel of real property may be required or allowed	
.5	to make a commitment to the plan commission or board of zoning	
6	appeals, as applicable, concerning the use or development of that	
7	parcel.	
8	(b) ADVISORY AREA. The board of zoning appeals may also	
9	bring an action in the circuit or superior court of the county for a	
20	mandatory injunction, directing a person to remove a structure erected	
21	in violation of this chapter or of an ordinance adopted under this	
22	chapter.	
23	(b) Commitments are subject to the following provisions:	
24	(1) A commitment must be in writing.	
25	(2) Unless the written commitment is modified or terminated	
26	in accordance with this subsection, a written commitment is	
27	binding on:	
28	(A) the owner of the parcel;	V
29	(B) a subsequent owner of the parcel; and	
0	(C) a person who acquires an interest in the parcel.	
31	(3) A commitment shall be recorded in the office of the county	
32	recorder. However, a commitment is binding on the owner	
3	who makes the commitment even if the commitment is	
34	unrecorded. An unrecorded commitment is binding on a	
55	subsequent owner or other person acquiring an interest in the	
66	parcel only if that subsequent owner or other person has	
57	actual notice of the commitment.	
8	(4) A commitment automatically terminates if the zone map	
19	applicable to the parcel to which the commitment relates is	
10	changed.	
1	(5) Except for a commitment automatically terminated under	
12	subdivision (4), a commitment may be modified or terminated	



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1	in force at the time the commitment was made; or
2	(2) (3) any other specially affected person who was designated in
3	the commitment.
4	(e) A person bringing an action to enforce a commitment made
5	under this chapter may request mandatory or prohibitory injunctive
6	relief through the granting of a temporary restraining order, preliminary
7	injunction, or permanent injunction. If an action to enforce a
3	commitment is successful, the respondent shall bear the costs of the
)	action. A change of venue from the county may not be granted in
)	such an action.
l	(f) In an action to enforce a commitment, it is not a defense that:
	(1) no consideration was given for the commitment;
3	(2) that the commitment does not benefit any designated parcel of
	property;
	(3) that the document setting forth the commitment lacks a seal;
	(4) that there is no privity of estate;
	(5) that there is not privity of contract; or
	(6) that there is no proof of damages.
	(g) The following types of conditions, as authorized by this
	chapter, are not considered commitments and are not subject to
	subsection (b):
	(1) A condition imposed upon primary approval of a plat that
	must be met before secondary approval of the plat may be
	granted under the 700 series of this chapter.
	(2) A condition imposed upon the approval of an exception, a
	use, a variance, or a development plan that must be met
	before an improvement location permit may be issued under
	the 800 series of this chapter.
	(3) A condition imposed upon an approval relative to any
	other development requirement that must be met before any
	other secondary approval may be granted or building permit
	may be issued under this chapter.
	(h) Covenants, easements, equitable servitudes, and other land
	use restrictions created in accordance with law are not considered
	commitments and are not subject to subsection (b).
	SECTION 36. IC 36-7-4-1016 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
	FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2011]: Sec. 1016. (a) Final
	decisions of the board of zoning appeals under:
	(1) the 900 series of this chapter (administrative appeals,
	exceptions, uses, and variances); or
	(2) section 1015 of this chapter (appeals of commitment
	modifications or terminations);



1	are considered zoning decisions for purposes of this chapter and	
2	are subject to judicial review in accordance with the 1600 series of	
3	this chapter.	
4	(b) The following decisions of the plan commission may be	
5	reviewed by certiorari procedure are considered zoning decisions for	
6	purposes of this chapter and are subject to judicial review in the	
7	same manner as that provided for the appeal of a final decision of the	
8	board of zoning appeals under subsection (a):	
9	(1) A final decision under the 700 series of this chapter	
0	(subdivision control).	1
.1	(2) A final decision under IC 36-7-3-11(h) section 1015 of this	
2	chapter (appeal of a vacation decision). commitment	
3	modification or termination).	
4	(3) A final decision under the 1400 series of this chapter	
.5	(development plans).	
6	(4) A final decision under the 1500 series of this chapter (planned	4
7	unit development), when authority to make a final decision is	
8	delegated to the plan commission by the legislative body under	
9	section 1511 of this chapter.	
20	(c) Final decisions of preservation commissions under	
21	IC 36-7-11, IC 36-7-11.1, IC 36-7-11.2, or IC 36-7-11.3 (certificates	
22	of appropriateness) are considered zoning decisions for purposes	
23	of this chapter and are subject to judicial review in the same	
24	manner as that provided for the appeal of a final decision of the	
25	board of zoning appeals under subsection (a).	
26	(d) Final decisions of zoning administrators under IC 14-28-4-18	
27	(improvement location permits within flood plain areas) are	1
28	considered zoning decisions for purposes of this chapter and are	
29	subject to judicial review in the same manner as that provided for	1
0	the appeal of a final decision of the board of zoning appeals under	
31	subsection (a).	
32	(e) The following actions are legislative acts and are not	
3	considered zoning decisions for purposes of this chapter:	
34	(1) Adopting or approving a comprehensive plan under the	
55	500 series of this chapter.	
66	(2) Certifying with or without a recommendation a proposal	
37	under the 600 series of this chapter.	
8	(3) Adopting, rejecting, or amending a zoning ordinance	
9	under the 600 series of this chapter.	
10	(4) Adopting, rejecting, or amending an impact fee ordinance	
1	under the 1300 series of this chapter.	
12	(5) Designating a zoning district where a development plan is	



1 2	required under the 1400 series of this chapter. (6) Adopting, rejecting, or amending a PUD district ordinance
3	under the 1500 series of this chapter.
4	(7) Adopting, rejecting, or amending a flood plain zoning
5	ordinance under IC 14-28-4.
6	SECTION 37. IC 36-7-4-1020 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
7	FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2011]: Sec. 1020. (a) All
8	ordinances adopted under this chapter are presumed to have been
9	validly adopted.
10	(b) A court plan commission or a board of zoning appeals shall take
11	judicial official notice of all ordinances adopted under this chapter.
12	SECTION 38. IC 36-7-4-1102 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
13	FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2011]: Sec. 1102.
14	ADVISORY. The advisory planning law This chapter is supplemental
15	to and does not abrogate the powers extended to agencies, bureaus,
16	departments, commissions, divisions, or officials of state government
17	by other statutes and these powers remain in effect. Powers of
18	supervision and regulation by these entities of state government over
19	political subdivisions or persons also are not abrogated and continue in
20	effect.
21	SECTION 39. IC 36-7-4-1109, AS ADDED BY P.L.49-2006,
22	SECTION 1, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
23	JULY 1, 2010]: Sec. 1109. (a) As used in this section, "local
24	governmental agency" includes any agency, officer, board, or
25	commission of a local unit of government that may issue:
26	(1) a permit; or
27	(2) an approval of a land use or an approval for the construction
28	of a development, a building, or another structure.
29	(b) As used in this section, "permit" means any of the following:
30	(1) An improvement location permit.
31	(2) A building permit.
32	(3) A certificate of occupancy.
33	(4) Approval of a site-specific development plan.
34	(5) Approval of a primary or secondary plat.
35	(6) Approval of a conditional use, special exception or special
36	use.
37	(7) Approval of a planned unit development.
38	(c) Subject to section 1110 of this chapter, if a person files a
39	complete application as required by the effective ordinances or rules of
40	a local governmental agency for a permit with the appropriate local
41	governmental agency, the granting of the permit, and the granting of
42	any secondary, additional, or related permits or approvals required



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from the same local governmental agency with respect to the general subject matter of the application for the first permit, are governed for at least three (3) years after the person applies for the permit by the statutes, ordinances, rules, development standards, and regulations in effect and applicable to the property when the application is filed, even if before the issuance of the permit or while the permit approval process is pending, or before the issuance of any secondary, additional, or related permits or approvals or while the secondary, additional, or related permit or approval process is pending, the statutes, ordinances, rules, development standards, or regulations governing the granting of the permit or approval are changed by the general assembly or the
applicable local legislative body or regulatory body. However, this
subsection does not apply if the development or other activity to which
the permit relates is not completed within seven (7) years after the
development or activity is commenced.
(d) Subsection (e) applies if:
(1) either:
(A) a local governmental agency issues to a person a permit or
grants a person approval for the construction of a
development, a building, or another structure; or
(R) a permit or approval is not required from the local

- (B) a permit or approval is not required from the local governmental agency for the construction of the development, building, or structure;
- (2) before beginning the construction of the development, building, or structure, the person must obtain a permit or approval for the construction of the development, building, or structure from a state governmental agency; and
- (3) the person has applied for the permit or requested the approval for the construction of the development, building, or structure from the state governmental agency within ninety (90) days of issuance of the permit by the local governmental agency.
- (e) Subject to subsection (f) and section 1110 of this chapter, if the conditions of subsection (d) are satisfied:
 - (1) a permit or approval issued or granted to a person by the local governmental agency for the construction of the development, building, or structure; or
 - (2) the person's right to construct the development, building, or structure without a permit or approval from the local governmental agency;

is governed for at least three (3) years after the person applies for the permit by the statutes, ordinances, rules, development standards, regulations, and approvals in effect and applicable to the property when











1	the person applies for the permit or requests approval from the state
2	governmental agency for the construction of the development, building,
3	or structure, even if before the commencement of the construction or
4	while the permit application or approval request is pending with the
5	state governmental agency the statutes governing the granting of the
6	permit or approval from the local governmental agency are changed by
7	the general assembly or the ordinances, rules, development standards,
8	or regulations of the local governmental agency are changed by the
9	applicable local legislative body or regulatory body. However, this
10	subsection does not apply if the development or other activity to which
11	the permit or approval request relates is not completed within seven (7)
12	years after the development or activity is commenced.
13	(f) Subsection (d) does not apply to property when it is
14	demonstrated by the local or state governmental agency that the
15	construction of the development, building, or structure would cause
16	imminent peril to life or property.
17	(g) This section does not apply to building codes under IC 22-13.
18	SECTION 40. IC 36-7-4-1110, IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA
19	CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS
20	[EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2010]: Sec. 1110. (a) As used in this section,
21	"permit or right" refers to:
22	(1) the granting of a permit, and the granting of any
23	secondary, additional, or related permits or approvals, in
24	response to an application filed:
25	(A) before January 1, 2011; and
26	(B) as described in section 1109(c) of this chapter;
27	(2) a permit issued or approval granted:
28	(A) before January 1, 2011; and
29	(B) as described in section 1109(e)(1) of this chapter; and
30	(3) the right to construct a development, building, or
31	structure:
32	(A) that inures before January 1, 2011; and
33	(B) is described in section 1109(e)(2) of this chapter.
34	(b) Before January 1, 2013, the changes made to IC 14-28-4-18
35	and IC 36-7 by the enrolled act enacted during the 2010 regular
36	session of the general assembly do not apply to a permit or right.
37	(c) After December 31, 2012, and notwithstanding section 1109
38	of this chapter, the changes made to IC 14-28-4-18 and IC 36-7 by
39	the enrolled act enacted during the 2010 regular session of the
40	general assembly apply to a permit or right.
41	(d) This section expires December 31, 2013.

SECTION 41. IC 36-7-4-1335 IS AMENDED TO READ AS



1	FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2011]: Sec. 1335. (a) As used	
2	in this section, "improvement" means an improvement under section	
3	1313(2) of this chapter or a site improvement, land, or real property	
4	interest as follows:	
5	(1) That is to be used for at least one (1) of the infrastructure	
6	purposes specified in section 1309 of this chapter.	
7	(2) That is included in or intended to be used relative to an	
8	infrastructure type for which the unit has imposed an impact fee	
9	in the impact zone.	_
0	(3) That is not a type of improvement that is uniformly required	
1	by law or rule for the type of development on which the impact	
2	fee has been imposed.	
.3	(4) That is or will be:	
4	(A) public property; or	
5	(B) furnished or constructed under requirements of the unit	
6	and is or will be available for use by other development in the	
7	area.	
8	(5) That is beneficial to existing development and future	
9	development in the impact zone and is not beneficial to only one	
20	(1) development.	
21	(6) That either:	_
22	(A) allows the removal of a component of infrastructure	
23	planned for the impact zone;	
24	(B) is a useful addition to the zone improvement plan; or	
2.5	(C) is reasonably likely to be included in a future zone	
26	improvement plan for the impact zone.	
27	(7) That is:	
28	(A) constructed, furnished, or guaranteed by a bond or letter	
29	of credit under a request by an authorized official of the:	
0	(i) applicable infrastructure agency; or	
31	(ii) unit that imposed the impact fee; or	
32	(B) required to be constructed or furnished under a written	
3	commitment that:	
34	(i) is requested by an authorized official of the applicable	
35	infrastructure agency or the unit that imposed the impact	
66	fee;	
37	(ii) concerns the use or developing of the development	
8	against which the impact fee is imposed; and	
9	(iii) is made under section 613, 614, or 921 1015 of this	
10	chapter.	
1	(b) A fee payer is entitled to a credit against an impact fee if the	
12	owner or developer of the development constructs or provides:	



1	(1) infrastructure that is an infrastructure type for which the unit	
2	imposed an impact fee in the impact zone; or	
3	(2) an improvement.	
4	(c) A fee payer is entitled to a credit under this section for	
5	infrastructure or an improvement that:	
6	(1) is constructed or furnished relative to a development after	
7	January 1, 1989; and	
8	(2) meets the requirements of this section.	
9	(d) The amount of a credit allowed under this section shall be	
10	determined at the date the impact fee is assessed. However, if an	
11	assessment is not requested, the amount of the credit shall be	
12	determined at the time the structural building permit is issued. The	
13	amount of the credit shall be:	
14	(1) determined by the:	
15	(A) person constructing or providing the infrastructure or	
16	improvement; and	
17	(B) applicable infrastructure agency; and	
18	(2) equal to the sum of the following:	
19	(A) The cost of constructing or providing the infrastructure or	
20	improvement.	
21	(B) The fair market value of land, real property interests, and	
22	site improvements provided.	
23	(e) The amount of a credit may be increased or decreased after the	
24	date the impact fee is assessed if, between the date the impact fee is	
25	assessed and the date the structural building permit is issued, there is	
26	a substantial and material change in the cost or value of the	
27	infrastructure or improvement that is constructed or furnished from the	,
28	cost or value determined under subsection (d). However, at the time the	
29	amount of a credit is determined under subsection (d), the person	
30	providing the infrastructure or improvement and the applicable	
31	infrastructure agency may agree that the amount of the credit may not	
32	be changed. The person providing the infrastructure or improvement	
33	may waive the person's right to a credit under this section.	
34	SECTION 42. IC 36-7-4-1401.5 IS AMENDED TO READ AS	
35	FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2011]: Sec. 1401.5. (a) A	
36	legislative body may, in a zoning ordinance, designate zoning districts	
37	in which a development plan is required. If a zoning district is	
38	designated under this section, the plan commission must approve or	
39	disapprove a development plan under this series for real property	
40	within the zoning district.	

(b) The plan commission has exclusive authority to approve or

disapprove a development plan for real property located within the plan



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1	commission's jurisdiction.
2	(c) Designation by the legislative body of a zoning district where a
3	development plan is required is a legislative act, and is not subject to
4	review by certiorari under section 1016 of this chapter.
5	SECTION 43. IC 36-7-4-1405 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
6	FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2011]: Sec. 1405. (a) The
7	plan commission shall review a development plan to determine if the
8	development plan:
9	(1) is consistent with the comprehensive plan; and
10	(2) satisfies the development requirements specified in the zoning
11	ordinance under sections 1402 and 1403 of this chapter.
12	(b) The plan commission may do the following:
13	(1) Impose conditions on the approval of a development plan if
14	the conditions are reasonably necessary to satisfy the development
15	requirements specified in the zoning ordinance for approval of the
16	development plan.
17	(2) Provide that approval of a development plan is conditioned on
18	the furnishing to the plan commission of a bond or written
19	assurance that:
20	(A) guarantees the timely completion of a proposed public
21	improvement in the proposed development; and
22	(B) is satisfactory to the plan commission.
23	(3) Permit or require the owner of real property to make a written
24	commitment under section 613 1015 of this chapter.
25	SECTION 44. IC 36-7-4-1512 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
26	FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2011]: Sec. 1512. (a) When
27	adopting or amending a PUD district ordinance, the legislative body of
28	a unit may do the following:
29	(1) Impose reasonable conditions on a proposed planned unit
30	development.
31	(2) Condition issuance of an improvement location permit on the
32	furnishing of a bond or a satisfactorily written assurance
33	guaranteeing the timely completion of a proposed public
34	improvement in a planned unit development or serving a planned
35	unit development.
36	(3) Allow or require an owner of real property to make a written
37	commitment in the manner authorized under section 614 or 615
38	1015 of this chapter.
39	(b) When recommending adoption of a PUD district ordinance to
40	the legislative body, granting an approval under section 1511 of this
41	chapter, or making a modification under section 1511(b) of this
42	chapter, the bodies or persons authorized under section 1511(c) of this



1	chapter may:
2	(1) impose the conditions described in subsection (a)(1) and
3	(a)(2); and
4	(2) allow or require a written commitment as authorized under
5	section 614 or 615 1015 of this chapter.
6	SECTION 45. IC 36-7-4-1600 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA
7	CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS
8	[EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2011]: Sec. 1600. This series (sections
9	1600 through 1699 of this chapter) may be cited as follows: 1600
10	SERIES. JUDICIAL REVIEW.
11	SECTION 46. IC 36-7-4-1601 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA
12	CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS
13	[EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2011]: Sec. 1601. (a) This series
14	establishes the exclusive means for judicial review of zoning
15	decisions as described in section 1003 or 1016 of this chapter, made
16	by a board of zoning appeals, legislative body, plan commission,
17	preservation commission, or zoning administrator (referred to as
18	the "board" in this series).
19	(b) A legislative act is not subject to judicial review under this
20	series.
21	SECTION 47. IC 36-7-4-1602 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA
22	CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS
23	[EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2011]: Sec. 1602. (a) Judicial review of
24	a zoning decision is initiated by filing a petition for review in the
25	appropriate court.
26	(b) Only a person who qualifies under:
27	(1) section 1603 of this chapter concerning standing;
28	(2) section 1604 of this chapter concerning exhaustion of
29	administrative remedies;
30	(3) section 1605 of this chapter concerning the time for filing
31	a petition for review; and
32	(4) section 1613 of this chapter concerning the time for filing
33	the board record for review;
34	is entitled to judicial review of a final zoning decision.
35	(c) A person is entitled to judicial review of a nonfinal zoning
36	decision only if the person establishes both of the following:
37	(1) Immediate and irreparable harm.
38	(2) No adequate remedy exists at law. The failure of a person
39	to comply with the procedural requirements of this chapter
40	may not be the basis for a finding of an inadequate remedy at
41	law.
42	SECTION 48. IC 36-7-4-1603 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA



1	CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS
2	[EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2011]: Sec. 1603. (a) The following have
3	standing to obtain judicial review of a zoning decision:
4	(1) A person to whom the decision is specifically directed.
5	(2) A person (other than staff) who participated in the board
6	hearing that led to the decision, either:
7	(A) by appearing at the hearing in person, by agent, or by
8	attorney and presenting relevant evidence; or
9	(B) by filing with the board a written statement setting
10	forth any facts or opinions relating to the decision.
11	(3) A person otherwise aggrieved or adversely affected by the
12	zoning decision.
13	(b) A person has standing under subsection (a)(3) only if:
14	(1) the zoning decision has prejudiced or is likely to prejudice
15	the interests of the person;
16	(2) the person was eligible for an initial notice of a hearing
17	under this chapter, was not notified of the hearing in
18	substantial compliance with this chapter, and did not have
19	actual notice of the hearing before the last date in the hearing
20	that the person could object or otherwise intervene to contest
21	the zoning decision;
22	(3) the person's asserted interests are among those that the
23	board was required to consider when it made the challenged
24	zoning decision; and
25	(4) a judgment in favor of the person would substantially
26	eliminate or redress the prejudice to the person caused or
27	likely to be caused by the zoning decision.
28	SECTION 49. IC 36-7-4-1604 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA
29	CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS
30	[EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2011]: Sec. 1604. (a) A person may file
3 1	a petition for judicial review under this chapter only after
32	exhausting all administrative remedies available within the board
33	whose zoning decision is being challenged.
34	(b) A person who fails to timely object to a zoning decision or
35	timely petition for review of a zoning decision within the period
36	prescribed by this chapter waives the person's right to judicial
37	review under this chapter.
38	SECTION 50. IC 36-7-4-1605 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA
39	CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS
40	[EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2011]: Sec. 1605. A petition for review
41	is timely only if the petition for review is filed not later than thirty
12	(30) days after the date of the zoning decision that is the subject of



1	the petition for judicial review.
2	SECTION 51. IC 36-7-4-1606 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA
3	CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS
4	[EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2011]: Sec. 1606. (a) Venue is in the
5	judicial district where the land affected by the zoning decision is
6	located.
7	(b) If more than one (1) person may be aggrieved by the zoning
8	decision, only one (1) proceeding for review may be had, and the
9	court in which a petition for review is first properly filed has
10	jurisdiction.
11	(c) The rules of procedure governing civil actions in the courts
12	govern pleadings and requests under this chapter for a change of
13	judge or change of venue to another judicial district described in
14	subsection (a).
15	(d) Each person who:
16	(1) was a petitioner or applicant at the hearing before the
17	board; or
18	(2) entered a written appearance as an adverse party to the
19	petitioner or applicant before the board hearing that led to
20	the zoning decision, as described in section 920(h) of this
21	chapter;
22	is a party to the petition for review.
23	(e) Any other person who participated, in the manner described
24	in section 1603(a)(2) of this chapter, in the board hearing that led
25	to the zoning decision may, not later than fourteen (14) days after
26	the decision is made, file with the board a written request that the
27	person receive notice of any petition for review that may be filed.
28	The written request must include the person's full name and
29	correct mailing address and a reference to the board's docket
30	number relative to the zoning decision.
31	SECTION 52. IC 36-7-4-1607 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA
32	CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS
33	[EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2011]: Sec. 1607. (a) A petition for
34	review must be filed with the clerk of the court.
35	(b) A petition for review must be verified and set forth the
36	following:
37	(1) The name and mailing address of the petitioner.
38	(2) The name and mailing address of the board whose zoning
39	decision is at issue.
40	(3) Identification of the decision at issue, together with a copy,
41	summary, or brief description of the decision.
42	(4) Identification of persons who participated in any hearing,



1	as described in section 1603(a)(2) of this chapter, that led to
2	the decision.
3	(5) Specific facts to demonstrate that the petitioner is entitled
4	to obtain judicial review under section 1602 of this chapter.
5	(6) Specific facts to demonstrate that the petitioner has been
6	prejudiced by one (1) or more of the grounds described in
7	section 1614 of this chapter.
8	(7) A request for relief, specifying the type and extent of relief
9	requested.
10	SECTION 53. IC 36-7-4-1608 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA
11	CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS
12	[EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2011]: Sec. 1608. (a) A petitioner for
13	judicial review shall serve a copy of the petition upon the board
14	making the zoning decision in the manner provided by the rules of
15	procedure governing civil actions in the courts. Service on the
16	board must be made to the secretary, president, or chairperson of
17	the board.
18	(b) The petitioner shall use means provided by the rules of
19	procedure governing civil actions in the courts to give notice of the
20	petition for review:
21	(1) to all parties to the petition for review, as described in
22	section 1606(d) of this chapter; and
23	(2) to persons who, in the manner described in section 1606(e)
24	of this chapter, filed with the board making the zoning
25	decision written requests that they receive notice of any
26	petition for review, according to the public records of the
27	board. However, if the public records of the board show that
28	the board received written requests for notice from more than
29	three (3) persons, the petitioner shall give notice only to the
30	first three (3) persons who requested notice according to those
31	records. Notice to any additional persons who requested
32	notice is not required.
33	(c) This section does not require the petitioner to name the
34	persons who must be given notice under subsection (b)(2) as parties
35	to the petition for review.
36	SECTION 54. IC 36-7-4-1609 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA
37	CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS
38	[EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2011]: Sec. 1609. (a) A person seeking
39	judicial review may seek, by filing a verified petition, an order of
40	the court staying the zoning decision pending review by the court.
41	The court may enter an order staying the zoning decision pending



a final determination if:

1	(1) the court finds that the petition for review and the petition
2	for a stay order show a reasonable probability that the zoning
3	decision appealed from is invalid or illegal; and
4	(2) a bond is filed that is conditioned upon the due prosecution
5	of the proceeding for review and that the petitioner will pay
6	all court costs and abide by the zoning decision if it is not set
7	aside. The bond must be in the amount and with the surety
8	approved by the court. However, the amount of the bond must
9	be at least five hundred dollars (\$500).
10	(b) If a petition for review concerns a revocation or suspension
11	of a previously approved variance, exception, or use, any stay
12	ordered under subsection (a) is effective during the period of the
13	review and any appeal from the review and until the review is
14	finally determined, unless otherwise ordered by the court granting
15	the stay. If the stay is granted as provided in this section and the
16	zoning decision is approved on final determination, the revocation
17	or suspension of the variance, exception, or use immediately
18	becomes effective.
19	SECTION 55. IC 36-7-4-1610 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA
20	CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS
21	[EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2011]: Sec. 1610. A person may obtain
22	judicial review of an issue that was not raised before the board,
23	only to the extent that:
24	(1) the issue concerns whether a person who was required to
25	be notified by this chapter or other law of a board hearing
26	was notified in substantial compliance with this chapter or
27	other law; or
28	(2) the interests of justice would be served by judicial
29	resolution of an issue arising from a change in controlling law
30	occurring after the zoning decision.
31	SECTION 56. IC 36-7-4-1611 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA
32	CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS
33	[EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2011]: Sec. 1611. Judicial review of
34	disputed issues of fact must be confined to the board record for the
35	zoning decision supplemented by additional evidence taken under
36	section 1612 of this chapter. The court may not try the cause de
37	novo or substitute its judgment for that of the board.
38	SECTION 57. IC 36-7-4-1612 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA
39	CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS
40	[EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2011]: Sec. 1612. (a) The court may

receive evidence, in addition to that contained in the board record

for judicial review, only if the evidence relates to the validity of the



1	zoning decision at the time the decision was made and is needed to
2	decide disputed issues regarding one (1) or both of the following:
3	(1) Improper constitution as a decisionmaking body or
4	grounds for disqualification of those making the zoning
5	decision.
6	(2) Unlawfulness of procedure or of decisionmaking process.
7	This subsection applies only if the additional evidence could
8	not, by due diligence, have been discovered and raised in the
9	board proceeding giving rise to a proceeding for judicial
.0	review.
1	(b) The court may remand a matter to the board before final
2	disposition of a petition for review with directions that the board
3	conduct further factfinding or that the board prepare an adequate
4	record, if:
.5	(1) the board failed to prepare or preserve an adequate
6	record;
7	(2) the board improperly excluded or omitted evidence from
8	the record; or
9	(3) a relevant law changed after the zoning decision and the
20	court determines that the new provision of law may control
21	the outcome.
22	SECTION 58. IC 36-7-4-1613 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA
23	CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS
24	[EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2011]: Sec. 1613. (a) Within thirty (30)
25	days after the filing of the petition, or within further time allowed
26	by the court, the petitioner shall transmit to the court the original
27	or a certified copy of the board record for judicial review of the
28	zoning decision, consisting of:
29	(1) any board documents expressing the decision;
0	(2) other documents identified by the board as having been
1	considered by the board before its decision and used as a basis
32	for its decision; and
33	(3) any other material described in this chapter or other law
4	as the board record for the type of zoning decision at issue,
35	subject to this section.
66	(b) An extension of time in which to file the record shall be
37	granted by the court for good cause shown. Inability to obtain the
8	record from the responsible board within the time permitted by
19	this section is good cause. Failure to file the record within the time
10	permitted by this subsection, including any extension period

ordered by the court, is cause for dismissal of the petition for review by the court, on its own motion, or on petition of any party



1	of record to the proceeding.
2	(c) Upon a written request by the petitioner, the board making
3	the zoning decision being reviewed shall prepare the board record
4	for the petitioner. If part of the record has been preserved without
5	a transcript, the board shall, if practicable, prepare a transcript
6	for inclusion in the record transmitted to the court, except for
7	parts that the parties to the judicial review proceeding stipulate to
8	omit in accordance with subsection (e).
9	(d) Notwithstanding IC 5-14-3-8, the board shall charge the
10	petitioner with the reasonable cost of preparing any necessary
11	copies and transcripts for transmittal to the court, unless a person
12	files with the court, under oath and in writing, the statement
13	described by IC 33-37-3-2.
14	(e) By stipulation of all parties to the review proceedings, the
15	record may be shortened, summarized, or organized.
16	(f) The court may tax the cost of preparing transcripts and
17	copies for the record:
18	(1) against a party to the judicial review proceeding who
19	unreasonably refuses to stipulate to shorten, summarize, or
20	organize the record; or
21	(2) in accordance with the rules governing civil actions in the
22	courts or other law.
23	(g) Additions to the record concerning evidence received under
24	section 1612 of this chapter must be made as ordered by the court.
25	The court may require or permit subsequent corrections or
26	additions to the record.
27	SECTION 59. IC 36-7-4-1614 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA
28	CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS
29	[EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2011]: Sec. 1614. (a) The burden of
30	demonstrating the invalidity of a zoning decision is on the party to
31	the judicial review proceeding asserting invalidity.
32	(b) The validity of a zoning decision shall be determined in
33	accordance with the standards of review provided in this section,
34	as applied to the decision at the time it was made.
35	(c) The court shall make findings of fact on each material issue
36	on which the court's decision is based.
37	(d) The court shall grant relief under section 1615 of this
38	chapter only if the court determines that a person seeking judicial
39	relief has been prejudiced by a zoning decision that is:
40	(1) arbitrary, capricious, an abuse of discretion, or otherwise
41	not in accordance with law;
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(2) contrary to constitutional right, power, privilege, or



1	immunity;
2	(3) in excess of statutory jurisdiction, authority, or limitations,
3	or short of statutory right;
4	(4) without observance of procedure required by law; or
5	(5) unsupported by substantial evidence.
6	SECTION 60. IC 36-7-4-1615 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA
7	CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS
8	[EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2011]: Sec. 1615. If the court finds that
9	a person has been prejudiced under section 1614 of this chapter,
10	the court may set aside a zoning decision and:
11	(1) remand the case to the board for further proceedings; or
12	(2) compel a decision that has been unreasonably delayed or
13	unlawfully withheld.
14	SECTION 61. IC 36-7-4-1616 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA
15	CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS
16	[EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2011]: Sec. 1616. The court's decision
17	on a petition for review of a zoning decision is appealable in
18	accordance with the rules governing civil appeals from the courts.
19	SECTION 62. IC 36-7-11-4 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
20	FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2011]: Sec. 4. (a) A unit may
21	establish, by ordinance, a historic preservation commission with an
22	official name designated in the ordinance. The commission must have
23	not less than three (3) nor more than nine (9) voting members, as
24	designated by the ordinance. The voting members shall be appointed
25	by the executive of the unit, subject to the approval of the legislative
26	body. Voting members shall each serve for a term of three (3) years.
27	However, the terms of the original voting members may be for one (1)
28	year, two (2) years, or three (3) years in order for the terms to be
29	staggered, as provided by the ordinance. A vacancy shall be filled for
30	the duration of the term. In the case of a commission with jurisdiction
31	in a city having a population of more than one hundred five thousand
32	(105,000) but less than one hundred twenty thousand (120,000), the
33	commission must after June 30, 2001, include as a voting member the
34	superintendent of the largest school corporation in the city.
35	(b) The ordinance may provide qualifications for members of the
36	commission, but members must be residents of the unit who are
37	interested in the preservation and development of historic areas. The
38	members of the commission should include professionals in the
39	disciplines of architectural history, planning, and other disciplines
40	related to historic preservation, to the extent that those professionals
41	are available in the community. The ordinance may also provide for the

appointment of advisory members that the legislative body considers



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1	appropriate.
2	(c) The ordinance may:
3	(1) designate an officer or employee of the unit to act as
4	administrator;
5	(2) permit the commission to appoint an administrator who shall
6	serve without compensation except reasonable expenses incurred
7	in the performance of the administrator's duties; or
8	(3) provide that the commission act without the services of an
9	administrator.
10	(d) Members of the commission shall serve without compensation
11	except for reasonable expenses incurred in the performance of their
12	duties.
13	(e) The commission shall elect from its membership a chairman and
14	vice chairman, who shall serve for one (1) year and may be reelected.
15	(f) The commission shall adopt rules consistent with this chapter for
16	the transaction of its business. The rules must include the time and
17	place of regular meetings and a procedure for the calling of special
18	meetings. All meetings of the commission must be open to the public,
19	and a public record of the commission's resolutions, proceedings, and
20	actions must be kept. If the commission has an administrator, the
21	administrator shall act as the commission's secretary, otherwise, the
22	commission shall elect a secretary from its membership.
23	(g) The commission shall hold regular meetings, at least monthly,
24	except when it has no business pending.
25	(h) A final decision of the commission is subject to judicial review
26	under IC 4-21.5-5 IC 36-7-4 as if it was were a final decision of a state
27	agency. board of zoning appeals.
28	SECTION 63. IC 36-7-11.1-10 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
29	FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2011]: Sec. 10. (a) If the
30	commission determines that the proposed construction, reconstruction,
31	alteration, or demolition will be appropriate, the secretary of the
32	commission shall forthwith issue to the applicant a certificate of
33	appropriateness.
34	(b) The commission may impose any reasonable conditions,
35	consistent with the historic preservation plan, upon the issuance of a
36	certificate of appropriateness, including the requirement of executing
37	and recording covenants or filing a maintenance or performance bond.
38	If the commission determines that a certificate of appropriateness
39	should not be issued, the commission shall forthwith place upon its

records the reasons for the determination and may include

recommendations respecting the proposed construction, reconstruction,

alteration, or demolition. The secretary of the commission shall



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forthwith notify the applicant of the determination transmitting to him the applicant an attested copy of the reasons and recommendations, if any, of the commission.

(c) Every A final determination of the commission upon an application for certificate of appropriateness is subject to judicial review by certiorari upon petition to the circuit or superior court of the county by any aggrieved person, in the same manner and subject to the same limitations as a final decision of a board of zoning appeals under IC 36-7-4. However, upon notice of the filing of the petition for writ of certiorari, judicial review, all proceedings and work on the subject premises are automatically stayed.

(d) An appeal may be taken to the court of appeals of Indiana from the final judgment of the court reversing, affirming, or modifying the determination of the commission in the same manner and upon the same terms, conditions, and limitations as appeals in other civil actions.

SECTION 64. IC 36-7-11.2-64 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2011]: Sec. 64. (a) A final determination by the commission is subject to judicial review An interested party aggrieved by a determination may file with the circuit or superior court of Marion County a verified petition for writ of certiorari stating that the determination is illegal in whole or part. The petition must be filed not later than sixty (60) days after the date of the final determination. A change of venue is not permitted in a cause of action arising under this section. in the same manner and subject to the same limitations as a final decision of a board of zoning appeals under IC 36-7-4.

(b) Upon the filing of a petition for writ of certiorari the petitioner shall have a copy of the petition served upon each interested party in the manner provided in this chapter for service of notice. Upon adequate showing by the petitioner that a copy of the petition has been served, the circuit or superior court shall enter an order directing the commission to show cause not later than thirty (30) days from the entry of the order why a writ of certiorari should not issue. If the commission or an interested party appearing in support of the court that a writ should not issue, the court may allow a writ directed to the commission. The writ must prescribe the time in which a return shall be made to the court. The time:

- (1) may not be less than twenty (20) days from the date of the issuance of the writ; and
- (2) may be extended by the court on application and on notice to all parties.







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(c) The return to the writ of certiorari by the commission must
contain copies of all filings, exhibits, and other matters presented to or
considered by the commission in connection with the matter and the
determination from which the appeal is taken, including a verbatim
transcript of the proceedings at each public hearing that was held. The
commission shall prepare the return at the expense of the party that
filed the petition for certiorari. The return to the writ of certiorari must
also show the grounds of the decision that was appealed.
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- (d) The court may decide and determine the sufficiency of the statements of illegality contained in the petition without further pleadings and may make a determination and enter judgment with reference to the legality of the decision of the commission on the facts set out in the return to the writ of certiorari. If the court determines that testimony is necessary for the proper disposition of the matter, the court may take evidence to supplement the evidence and facts disclosed by the return to the writ of certiorari. However, a review may not be by a trial de novo, and the court may not consider evidence that should properly or could have been presented to the commission. In passing on the legality of the determination by the commission, the court may:
 - (1) reverse;

- (2) affirm, wholly or in part; or
- (3) modify;

the determination of the commission brought up for review. Costs may not be allowed against the commission.

(e) Upon the filing of a petition under this section, the final determination of the commission with respect to which the petition is filed is considered without force and effect pending a final judgment by the court. If the final determination was made with respect to a petition for approval of a proposed rezoning or zoning variance, the approval by the commission is considered nonexistent pending final judgment.

SECTION 65. IC 36-7-11.3-59 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2011]: Sec. 59. (a) A final determination by the commission is subject to judicial review An interested party aggrieved by a determination may file with the circuit or superior court of the county a verified petition for writ of certiorari stating that the determination is illegal in whole or part. The petition must be filed not later than sixty (60) days after the date of the final determination. A change of venue is not permitted in a cause of action arising under this section. in the same manner and subject to the same limitations as a final decision of a board of zoning appeals under IC 36-7-4.











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commission to show cause not later than thirty (30) days from the entry
of the order why a writ of certiorari should not issue. If the commission
or an interested party appearing in support of the commission's
determination fails to show to the satisfaction of the court that a writ
should not issue, the court may allow a writ directed to the commission.
The writ must prescribe the time in which a return shall be made to the
court. The time:
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issuance of the writ; and
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- (1) reverse;
- (2) affirm, wholly or in part; or
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4	the commission is considered nonexistent pending final judgment.
5	SECTION 66. THE FOLLOWING ARE REPEALED [EFFECTIVE
6	JANUARY 1, 2011]: IC 36-7-3-11; IC 36-7-4-613; IC 36-7-4-614
7	IC 36-7-4-615; IC 36-7-4-921; IC 36-7-4-1005; IC 36-7-4-1006
8	IC 36-7-4-1007; IC 36-7-4-1008; IC 36-7-4-1009; IC 36-7-4-1010
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